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A jab well done

Volunteers who have assisted with vaccination clinics in Haliburton and Minden share their stories. See page 2.

Maybelle's musings

WhaddayathinkImean resident is excited for summer. See page 12.

Lit by the morning light, an American robin sits in a branch of a tree at the back of Doug and Patti Tallman's backyard in Haliburton. Long-time birder in the area Ed Poropat said the bird is partially "leucistic" - lacking pigment in parts of its body. He said, "An albino would have red eyes. Really, any species can show leucistic qualities." From his experience, he has seen crows, redpolls, grackles and red-tailed hawks that were all white or partially white. /DARREN LUM Staff

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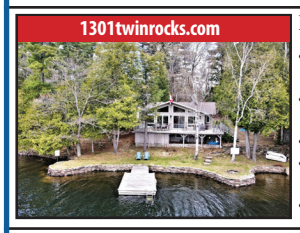
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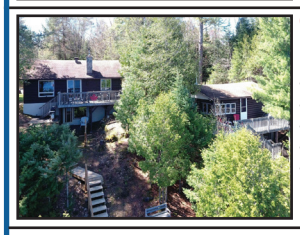
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Rotarians Ted Brandon and Ursula Devolin gear up in masks and face shields at the entrance to the mass vaccine clinic in operation at A.J. LaRue arena in April and May./Submitted

Volunteers reflect on a jab well done assisting with vaccination clinics

SUE TIFFIN
County Life Staff

In April, 13 months after the COVID-19 pandemic was declared, mass vaccination clinics opened at the A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton and the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. Since then, 5,023 people have been vaccinated at the Minden site, while 3,793 people have been vaccinated at the Haliburton clinic.

Opening and organizing the clinics to deliver vaccines to the residents of Haliburton County has been a joint initiative between the Township of Minden Hills and Municipality of Dysart et al; the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District health unit and the Minden Rotary Club and Haliburton Rotary Club, as well as hundreds of volunteers. We spoke to some of those volunteers, who shared their motivations for wanting to help and the experiences they'd had at the clinics thus far.

One night a few weeks back, Rotarian Ursula Devolin, who is helping lead the volunteer effort at Haliburton's vaccination clinic, heard word of an additional clinic date to be held at the A.J. LaRue arena. It was after 9 p.m. when she sent out a call to action for the upcoming clinic in the form of a mass e-mail to almost 200 people who had previously signed up to be on the list of volunteers willing to take a shift at the clinic from time to time. What happened next was a spectacle more entertaining than Netflix, joked Devolin.

"Within 29 minutes of sending the e-mail, the sign-up sheet was full," she said. "As it's on a collaborative Google Doc, we could watch people fill it in live. It was more fun than the Kentucky Derby on the weekend. People are so keen."

Rotarians, Lions, CARP members and individuals, including high school students, have answered the call to help at local clinics.

"There's no doubt volunteering at the clinic has

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Volunteers supporting vaccine efforts for a variety of reasons

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become the most exciting outing of the spring season in Haliburton," said Devolin. "People are clamouring for spots."

A highlighted note at the top of the volunteer sheet asks volunteers to "take only one shift from the two new dates to allow others the opportunity to serve," speaking to both the enthusiasm of Haliburton County's volunteer base and the drive residents have in wanting to help bring the pandemic to an end.

"I think you'll hear a variety of reasons why people are helping - to get out of the house, to get out of this pandemic, to be of use to the community, to help the world open up sooner," said Devolin. "I personally think people miss having some purpose in their day. I'm highly motivated to get this done because I'm desperate to see our teens resume a more normal life. I think when this is all over, youth will have been the hardest hit by the lockdowns and the disruption to their school schedules and social lives - the loss of sports, no dating, no parties, no fun."

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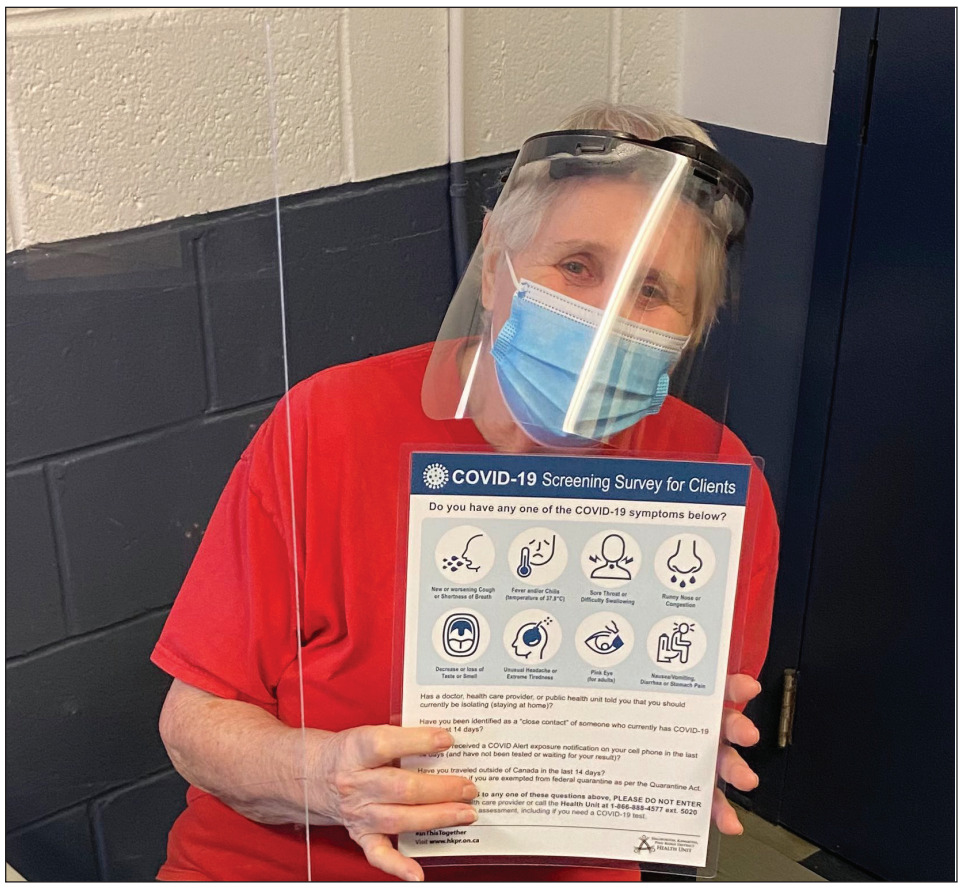
Volunteers are asked to wear a mask, but are given a surgical mask and face shield when they arrive for their shifts. They must be at least 16-years-old to volunteer. Morning shifts happen from 9:20 a.m. to 2 p.m. and afternoon shifts start at 1:30 p.m., running until 5:30 p.m. Roles include a greeter who organizes people arriving at the clinic for their appointment; screeners who check in with those arriving for any symptoms they might be experiencing; someone at a check-in desk to confirm appointment time and valid health card; escorts to take people arriving or leaving to and from their seat in a 'pod'; cleaners who disinfect pod areas after each client has been vaccinated; pod assistants to help with those waiting for a mandatory 15-minute observation period after their vaccination; someone assigned to a check-out desk to distribute a ticket of vaccination proof, and a team leader to ensure it all runs smoothly. The local COVID-19 vaccination clinics are part of the largest vaccination effort in history.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Rotarian Diane Smith takes her place in the mass clinic in Haliburton as a COVID-19 screener running through the checklist of questions to ask people entering the building. /Submitted

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Marie Lennard is in the middle of a virtual bridge game – they're waiting for her to bid – when *County Life* first calls her. Fifteen minutes later, the game done, she's happy to share her experience volunteering at the Minden clinic.

"Well, I jumped at the chance, first of all, to get out of the house," said the avid volunteer, who – due to restrictions in place to stop the spread of COVID-19 has been unable to take part in her roles helping with hospital and community care and church work. "For 12 months, I've been sitting in the house doing nothing except walking, and cooking, and whatever. The thought of getting out and finally participating in life again was really great, really great."

The clinic runs smoothly, to great accolades from "people from far and wide," said Lennard, as is evidenced in letters to the newspaper thanking organizers for their efforts.

"In a short time, I couldn't believe what they had accomplished, it's just an amazing system," she said. "When you see all the pictures in the hotspots in Toronto, how people have to line up, and almost fight for spots. I mean, you just go and get your vaccine and everyone's happy and 'hello' and 'how are you' and it's going around like boop, boop, boop and out the door. It's an amazing system."

While Lennard's parents lived thorough the war, Lennard herself said she

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Hope for vaccine is 'light at the end of the tunnel'

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has never lived through anything like this pandemic, which has put life on hold for many.

"I had a special birthday a year ago, I was 80," said Lennard, just days before her 81st birthday. "I had to have it with take-out and my family on Zoom. I never thought that a year later I was still going to be doing that. Last year it was liveable."

She acknowledges that in Haliburton County, COVID-19 numbers have been low – at press time, 116 local cases have been confirmed since March 2020 but said the vaccine is the best solution toward keeping those numbers low everywhere.

"All of these shutdowns, lockdowns, it's not working," she said. "It's working up here, it works for us, but it doesn't work in those congregated areas, and I can understand why people living in a condo in downtown Toronto without even a balcony can't ... I mean, we're lucky, we have open spaces. They're never going to do it by telling people they cannot go out or they cannot talk to other people, it's not going to work that way. I guess, it's something they have to try, but the only thing that's going to work is for everybody to be immune to this thing and not be able to get it, I guess. Hopefully that's going to work."

Lennard has appreciated being able to see and meet those coming to the clinic, especially visitors coming from Huntsville, Lindsay, Bobcaygeon and Port Hope when the Minden clinic was their closest location for available appointments. She said many had never been to Minden and were excited to be some of the first visitors in the town's new arena.

"On top of everything else, it is putting Haliburton and Minden on the map," she said. "You're bringing people here that had no idea of what we had. That's pretty interesting, too. They were excited. They had no idea [the arena] had never been open before, it's brand new. They're relatively the first people through here."

Seeing people make the effort to get their vaccination has been uplifting, in itself.

"When they're there, they're just so happy and relieved and excited to be doing something finally and I'm sure they'll all remember exactly where they were and how it happened," she said.

Lennard enjoyed her first experience volunteering so much that she has volunteered for every day available thus far, and hasn't missed one clinic date.

"It makes me feel good and it almost makes me feel that maybe there's a light at the end of this horrible tunnel that we're living in," she said. "You're halfway there, right? I've got my shot and now you're getting your shot. I think that's the attitude people have. We're on our way. Maybe this will end because it's not ending on its own, that's for sure."

Lennard jokes that she's grateful for the chance to volunteer, as she doesn't have anything else to do, save for virtual bridge. "We didn't retire up here to stay home," she laughed.

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At 17-years-old, Ezra Hill is one of the youngest clinic volunteers, making time for shifts when he's not in class at home as a Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student.

"My dad [Aaron Hill] is a part of the Rotary Club and found out that they were running a vaccination clinic and thought that it might be nice to go out and help with that," said Ezra. "So I got involved with it through him."

While the Grade 11 student wasn't able to help his dad with the construction of the pods used to separate spaces in which volunteers sit during the clinic, as they were made during school hours, Ezra has taken on roles at the clinic during weekends.

"I think it's always nice to be able to help out my community in some ways, and to help get this vaccine out," he said. "It kind of gives me a sense that I'm accomplishing something. This whole pandemic we've just been locked inside,

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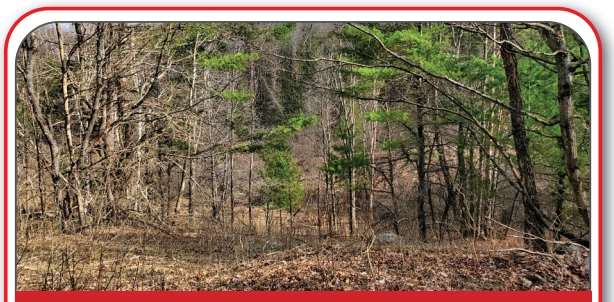

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What is U-Links' Woodlands & Waterways Eco-Watch Program?

AMANDA DUNCOMBE LEE
Special to *County Life*

This spring, The U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research is launching the Woodlands & Waterways EcoWatch program (WWEW). Now two years in the making, this program is a community-driven, multi-partner effort that creates a coordinated regional approach to environmental monitoring, combining the knowledge and resources U-Links, Trent University, Fleming College, lake associations, lake stewards, Haliburton Highlands Land Trust (HHLT), and citizens.

Formerly the Aquatic and Terrestrial Biomonitoring Program, the initiative originated in 2019 with the support of funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Trent University and the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC). Since then, thanks to in-kind and financial support from Trent University, Fleming College, HCDC and numerous lake associations, as well as donations and grants from individual donors, foundations, and government bodies, we were able to expand the number of lakes participating in our benthic biomonitoring program to 17 (and growing), and incorporate forest health monitoring with the HHLT.

The goal of the program is simple: we provide planning, logistics, and technical know-how to grassroots environmental monitoring initiatives in the Haliburton region with the assistance and oversight of Trent and Fleming faculty and students. The program has been identified by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation, and Parks' Dorset Environmental Science Centre as filling a data-gap in publicly available benthic data in Haliburton County and surrounding regions.

Participating in any community-based research (CBR) project with U-Links also means that you are helping undergraduate students with vital experiential learning opportunities that can lead to increased interest in environmental protection and advocacy, as well as providing them with technical skills and experience that employers look for. One student who recently completed a benthic biomonitoring project, wrote in the evaluation survey that they have included their CBR experience on their resumes and landed several interviews that were directly related to their experience with U-Links.

In addition to providing full-year biomonitoring community-based research projects to interested community organizations, the WWEW program incorporates a 'citizen science' initiative, where interested citizens can participate in workshops that provide practical, hands-on benthic biomonitoring experience. The workshops will help interested community members understand how to pick and analyze 'lake bugs' themselves and increase sustainability of and interest in community-based water monitoring.

If you would like to learn more about the WWEW program, undertake a community-based research biomonitoring project, or attend a citizen science training workshop, please contact Brendan Martin, WWEW Coordinator, at bmartin@ulinks.ca or visit our brand new program website at www.wwew.ca. If you are part of a community organization that might be interested in a different type of community-based research project in the environmental, social or cultural sectors, please contact Amanda Duncombe-Lee, CBR Program Coordinator, at aduncombe-lee@ulinks.ca.

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If you are interested in supporting the WWEW program or community-based research in general, please contact Daniela Pagliaro, Administrative and Logistics Coordinator, at admin@ulinks.ca.

Top 10 aftereffects of mask wearing

NOW THAT masks no longer need to be worn in the U.S. by those who are fully vaccinated, I have to believe it can't be that far off for us either. This got me thinking about what happens after we no longer have to don masks. Here are the top 10 things I believe will happen.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. Mass panic as people no longer remember where they left their false teeth.
2. Clowns suddenly more expressive.
3. Embarrassing tan lines revealed.
4. Lipstick stocks skyrocket.
5. Facial recognition programs go berserk.
6. Friends you made during the pandemic no longer recognize you.
7. The long-awaited worldwide reveal of your pencil moustache.
8. Bank robbers once again stand out in a crowd.
9. Millions of pimples simultaneously pop after seeing sunlight for the first time.
10. Ventriloquism suddenly not so easy.

Yes, Virginia

My city sibling wants so much to drive up here
to walk
And work through sadness life brings folk when
stuff combines to shock
A family spread o'er all this world, but loving
just the same
Pandemic steals from everyone our need to hug
in name

Or wander lonely as a cloud with closest
friend astride
Or raise a slow and friendly pint of cold craft
ale inside
To hold the hand of grandchild for whom Nana
is the prize
Would lend to these old cheeks a glow, and
shininess to eyes

But what we've lost, we've also gained: to pause,
reflect and love
That tiny grandchild's growing hand will still fit
like a glove
And friends, and beer, and siblings still remember
us with calm
Our patient gratitude for what we have brings
grace and balm

Communication is the wisest habit to sustain
We're learning new words for our souls, then
hearing joy and pain
We're cleaning roadsides, planting veg, assisting
terrapins
Painting, writing, knitting, viewing docs are all
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Learn the types of finches, just like Darwin
thought to do
Mix and match your kitchen herbs, inoculate your
stew
Practice French, adopt a feral kitten or a bunch
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as we wait
Seasons here will still unfold, and soon
we'll make our date

Deborah J Reed

'I'll just remember the people being really thankful'

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and it's finally giving an opportunity to get the vaccines out, which can lead us to get back to normal life."

Ezra was able to get the vaccine himself – as of press time, the Pfizer vaccine has been approved for use by those aged 12 and older so far.

"It's kind of a nice relief, now I'm finally vaccinated, I've got my first of two shots, which means that I'm well on the path to getting back to safe and normal," he said. "It really just means that I'm now safe and protected. I've heard many awful things about people when they get the coronavirus. I've been lucky enough to not get it so far but the vaccine will keep me safe from it."

Ezra has helped control the flow of people through the Haliburton arena, escorting people to their seat, and also in giving a receipt to those leaving.

"A lot of people leave really excited," he said. "Pretty much everybody's always excited to leave, now that they've got their shot done they're good to go, they have their next shot lined up and ready to go. Some people are a little impatient on the way in but everybody seems happy on the way out."

Ezra has been able to take shifts at the same time as his parents, and see face-to-face other friends from school who are also volunteering, making for a good social opportunity during a time when brick and mortar schools are closed and students are at home.

"It's definitely been tricky, a lot of people are just struggling to get through it with the added stress of school on top of the fact that you can't see friends or family, often cancelling holidays and trips because you can't go anywhere, can't see anyone, it makes you feel a little trapped," he said. "We're still trying to keep up and a lot of teachers have been very patient and understanding about it but there's still a certain amount of required work we need to do. We need to keep a certain amount of instructional time, so it feels like a lot of the days are becoming very similar, monotonous. Wake up, turn on the computer, do class, turn it off, maybe go for a walk and go to bed."

While this time has been challenging, Ezra also acknowledged that he has felt fortunate to be in a rural area rather than the city – bringing an awareness of space that might shape his future plans.

"I've been very lucky, we live out in Haliburton and I've got a big forest out the back of my house so I can still get out and get fresh air and go for walks every day," he said. "Definitely trying to keep in mind that maybe I do want to live in a place that's a little bit more nature-focused, out of the city, if something like this happens again. If it weren't for me being able to get outside every day, I think I'd be in a really bad place mentally."

High school students are able to use their shift at the volunteer clinic toward their required community service hours, with Ezra noting one four-hour shift is worth one tenth of the required hours.

"It gives me a sense of pride knowing I'm out there helping people get their shots so we can bring this historic event to an end. It kind of makes you feel part of something that's big and special and historic."

Ezra said he would recommend the clinic volunteering experience to anybody that wants to help in getting the vaccine into arms, "especially to other teens like myself."

"I think I'll just remember the people being really thankful, the smiles under the masks, people being very thankful - thanking me for my generosity and time to volunteer," he said. "I'll definitely remember having a good feeling about [being] partly responsible for vaccinating everybody – even if I didn't put the needle in someone's arm, I'm still there helping out. I think that's going to be a memory that sticks with me."

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Dave Woodcroft isn't a Rotarian, but has a friend in Rotary.

"They said they were looking for volunteers, and I thought, you know what, I think I'd like to join in on that," he said. "I just like to do things ... when there's something civic to do, I kind of like to join in and make sure stuff gets done. I don't know, I guess it's just in me to volunteer."

Working at the Minden clinic has been a positive experience for Woodcroft, who hopes the low vaccine supply being received by the local health unit will become less sporadic so area clinics can run at full capacity.

"It's kind of fun," he said. "It's very social. For the most part, everybody was just so happy coming in to get this. It was this positive thing that, wow, we're going to get through this pandemic. That's why I wanted to go back, because there are a lot of good feelings there."

Woodcroft said he has seen the volunteer opportunity from a variety of angles, having taken on different jobs during the shifts he's participated in, including as team leader when he is able to oversee each role.

"When I'm the team leader, it's the best because I get to go around and talk to all the people who are volunteering and I actually get some [conversation] in there," he said. "But you know what, I think all the jobs are good. There's not a job in there that you don't feel useful. And a lot of it is just guiding people through. The public health unit, it's their gig, and we're just guiding people through. There's not one job in that whole chain of volunteering that is dull."

One day, working at the front door as a greeter, Woodcroft said he heard people sharing where they had come from, with some traveling from up to two hours away for their appointment – but there were no complaints.

"They're so patient," he said. "When we were behind a couple of times, people are so patient, all you have to say to them is, don't worry, you're getting your vaccine. It may take you five minutes later than you thought but you're going to get your vaccine ... People were just glad to be there and many times, people said to me, thank you for volunteering, which also makes it worthwhile. Because a lot of times when you're volunteering, you don't hear that."

Though he's been part of volunteer efforts before, nothing has ever been on

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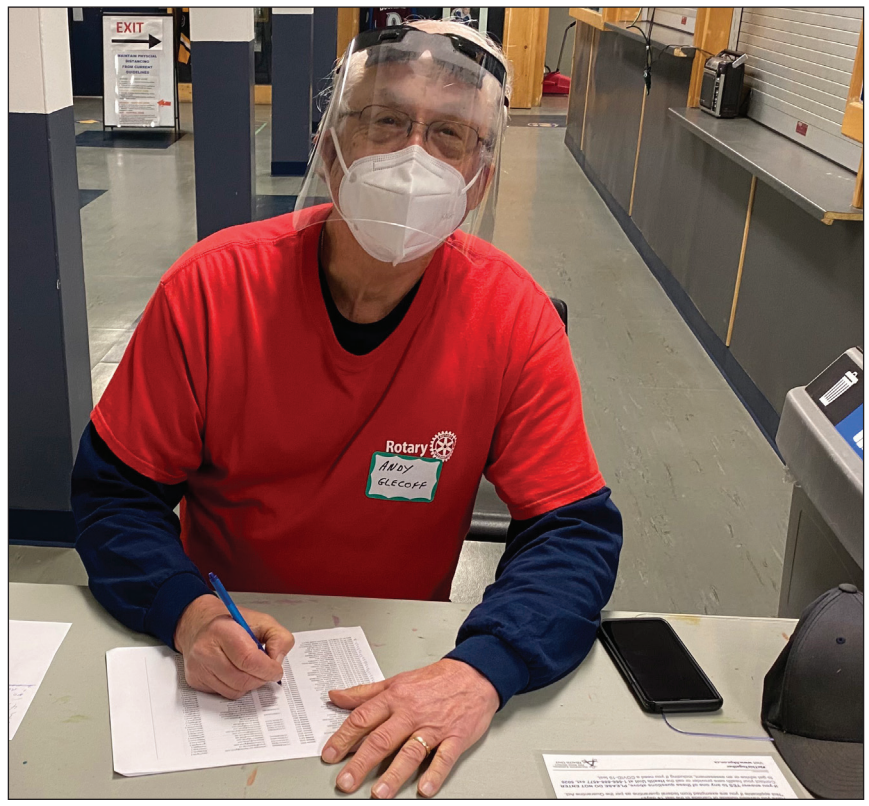

Rotarian Andy Glecoff checks the list for vaccine appointments made on this particular day at the A.J. LaRue arena in Haliburton. /Screenshot

Positivity, excitement inside clinics

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this scale.

"Nothing this big," said Woodcroft. "It's running great. It's five hours but it blows by, it feels like 20 minutes."

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"To be brutally honest, just to get out of the house is exciting these days," laughed David Ogilvie, of his reason for signing up as a vaccination clinic volunteer. "In some ways, that's partially true. It's just nice to be able to do something but it's also nice to be able to give back. I think the majority of people are there for more reasons than getting out of the house. Haliburton's a unique place, and people are willing to just give their time, and a lot of cases money if that's what's required as well [though it's not in this case]. It's just an extremely generous place."

Ogilvie volunteers as well at the 4Cs and food bank, noting that with proper personal protective equipment and public health guidance, "we haven't missed a day at the food bank." He isn't a Rotarian, although Ted Brandon did give him a Rotarian's T-shirt for being at the Haliburton vaccination clinic so often. The mass vaccination clinic gives him another opportunity to give back, which he has done in a variety of ways, always trying to make the experience comfortable for those participating.

"I've done a variety of roles," he said. "The first shift I did, I was a cleaner and the second shift, I was a team leader. I wish my career had gone that well. As team leader you'll go around and make sure everything is going OK but you'll also fill in for people that need a break, so I've ultimately – for a few minutes anyway – done every one of the tasks that are there."

Ogilvie said the process is "really, really slick," with the length of time for someone driving in to the parking lot to driving out again being about 20 minutes, with 15 minutes of that time being observation time.

"The one thing that's really neat about it, is that you're not dealing with people that are grumpy or angry, they're all really excited because they're getting the vaccination and can see light at the end of the tunnel," he said. "Pretty much everyone you see is happy."

"People are just happy because – it's a big step in their life, too," he said. "There's a little bit of apprehension, most people don't like getting needles, most people aren't sure if they're going to feel terrible after the whole thing, but most people are just excited that there's now a window of opportunity to get to see their grandkids again, or travel, or go to a restaurant or do stuff. Knowing that all of these other people are getting that similar situation so we're all going to be able to do stuff again. It's the first step, sort of, back to normalcy in our lives. I think we're all just – whatever it takes. A lot of people would have been, well, they wouldn't have been happy necessarily but they would have travelled to Toronto or would have done cartwheels just to get what they could get right at home, knowing that once you get this, and once you get your second shot, you should be able to do a lot of things that you haven't been able to do for the past year plus."

Many people, he said have

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travelled hours to get their shot – some from Cobourg, Belleville, Havelock, Bancroft, Huntsville, Dwight. Ogilvie himself went to Bancroft to get his first vaccination. He notes those arriving from elsewhere weren't taking appointments at the expense of local residents, but that there was more capacity at the clinic than arms showing up.

"It also tells you how people want to get the vaccination," he said. "There's that core group that don't, but there's another big, big group and that's what we were seeing, the people that definitely wanted to get their vaccination and were willing to travel to get it."

Not everyone though, is thrilled to be getting their vaccine at first, due to fear or anxiety around needles though an overwhelming number of people who've received their COVID-19 jab have said this particular shot is pain-free.

"There was one lady, she got part way in and you could see she was just, there was terror," said Ogilvie. "It was like you were going to ask her to jump off a cliff or take the worst ride ever at Canada's Wonderland, she was just shaking, she was so terrified. You're sort of going, that's OK, everything's going to be fine. To see her, less than 20 minutes later, to see her as she was leaving, she looked a couple of inches off the ground because she was so excited. Everything went really, really well and she was so relieved. I saw two totally different persons in that 20-minute window."

Ogilvie said that amongst the health clinic staff, volunteers and most people arriving for their vaccination, the spirit of the clinic is positive, with people encouraging each other and working together.

"It's all been positive," he said.

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Sue Yallop said that as a volunteer at the vaccination clinic, you spend 20 minutes of the day making sure you have your face mask on, and your glasses situated in a way that they don't steam up, and then you don't touch them for the rest of the day so they stay in the right place. But still, you get recognized.

"I had a guy come down the ramp, and he goes, 'I'll have 24 Canadian please,'" laughed Yallop, who was a longtime Beer Store employee in Minden.

Yallop said that when she saw on Facebook that Minden Rotary had put out the call for volunteers at the clinic, she jumped at the chance to help, thinking it was a great way to give back.

"As far as I'm concerned, I know we've all been cooped up and we're all a bit squirrely after all that time but it's the most incredible feeling – the most incredible feeling – working at those clinics," said Yallop. "I think because we've all been locked up for 14 months, it makes it even more rewarding. You can actually talk to people. And everybody who's coming in is actually happy and excited. They might have a little bit of anxiety but it's good anxiety. They're just so pumped to be part of the solution. I found personally, I was joking with people my first day volunteering. This man would be sitting there looking a little glum. I'd lean down and say, 'it's alright, you'll be OK', and they'll be howling."

Yallop said she drove to Lindsay to get her vaccine, the AstraZeneca shot, at a pharmacy where spirits were also high amongst those waiting in the lobby – at a distance but still able to make connections through the experience.

"As people were leaving they were saying, well, I'll see you in July when we all come back," laughed Yallop. "Six of my new closest friends. It was kind of fun."

She took part in the first clinic in Minden, when local teams were being trained by teams from Northumberland County, and there was a bit of a delay as the process was worked out.

"It was crazy busy, lined up way across the front of

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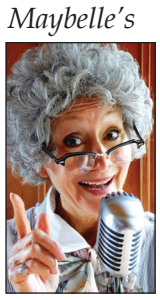

SPRING, SHMING. Yes, it's been grand with the snow and ice gone, but summer is the belle of the ball and she's coming soon and ol' Maybelle is over the moon giddy about it. Why I'm blowing up my rubber raft to go floating down the Gull River in Minden. I'm sewing up my bathing suit… split it last year after partaking in one too many malted milks, don'tcha know. And, best of all, I'm looking forward to picnicking and hiking and sharing stories around an open fire with my best friends here in Lake WhaddayathinkImean: Vilma Yuccch, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, Twindle Mumbly, Beanpole Starkman and Sybil Beaucannon Hughes. Summer, come and get me 'cause I'm getting ready for YOU!

Why, if the lake hasn't been calling to me. It has, too! Wakes me up first thing with the sun and the birds tweeting their beaks off. It's a loud lake, Lake WhaddayathinkImean. My own alarm clock just at the edge of my shoreline, don'tcha know. Maybelle, come out and play! Get out your kayak and paddle past the sky. Say hello to your friends, the loons. Nobody's loonier than you, Maybelle – Why if Lake W doesn't have ATTITUDE, don'tcha know – Go water skiing, try paddle boarding, You're only as old as your hair.

Did I mention that I'm a sunworshipper? Sure, from way back. Give me two-digit weather and sun beating on my apple doll face and ol' Maybelle is one happy camper. And I LOVE being able to hang my wash out to dry. Can't do that in the spring too often. The rain up and surprises you and before you know it, you're hauling your drenched undies back inside the cottage. Dylan may sing about the answer blowing in the wind. I'll take freshly washed sheets blowing, any day.

Brewster, my truck, has been calling me to drive to Haliburton, grab my bike out of the back and ride the Rail Trail. It's too hilly in Lake W for this ol' gal to ride. The Rail Trail's nice and flat, don'tcha know. And that Barnum Creek Nature Reserve off of Gelert Road has got to be heaven on earth for hiking.

I planted my carrot seeds yesterday. And next Sunday I'll go to the garden centre and raid the place. I will too. I LOVE plants. Can't get enough of them. And I always get native plants for my shoreline, don'tcha know. They help keep the lake healthy. They're like my own filtration system. Yep, that's what native plants do. They act as a powerful buffer that filters harmful natural and man-made pollutants from going into your lake. Helps prevent those dangerous Blue Green Algae blooms, don'tcha know.

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What I love best about summer is my morning routine, tending to my garden. I put in a good two hours every morning: watering, dead-heading, weeding, and just appreciating the wonder of it all. Truth be told…my plants are like my children … watching them grow, feeding them, caring about them. But, then, I do eat my veggies, so what kind of a mother does that make me?

It does my heart good to see everything come back to life again. Yep, we're getting back on track and the train to good times is on its way!

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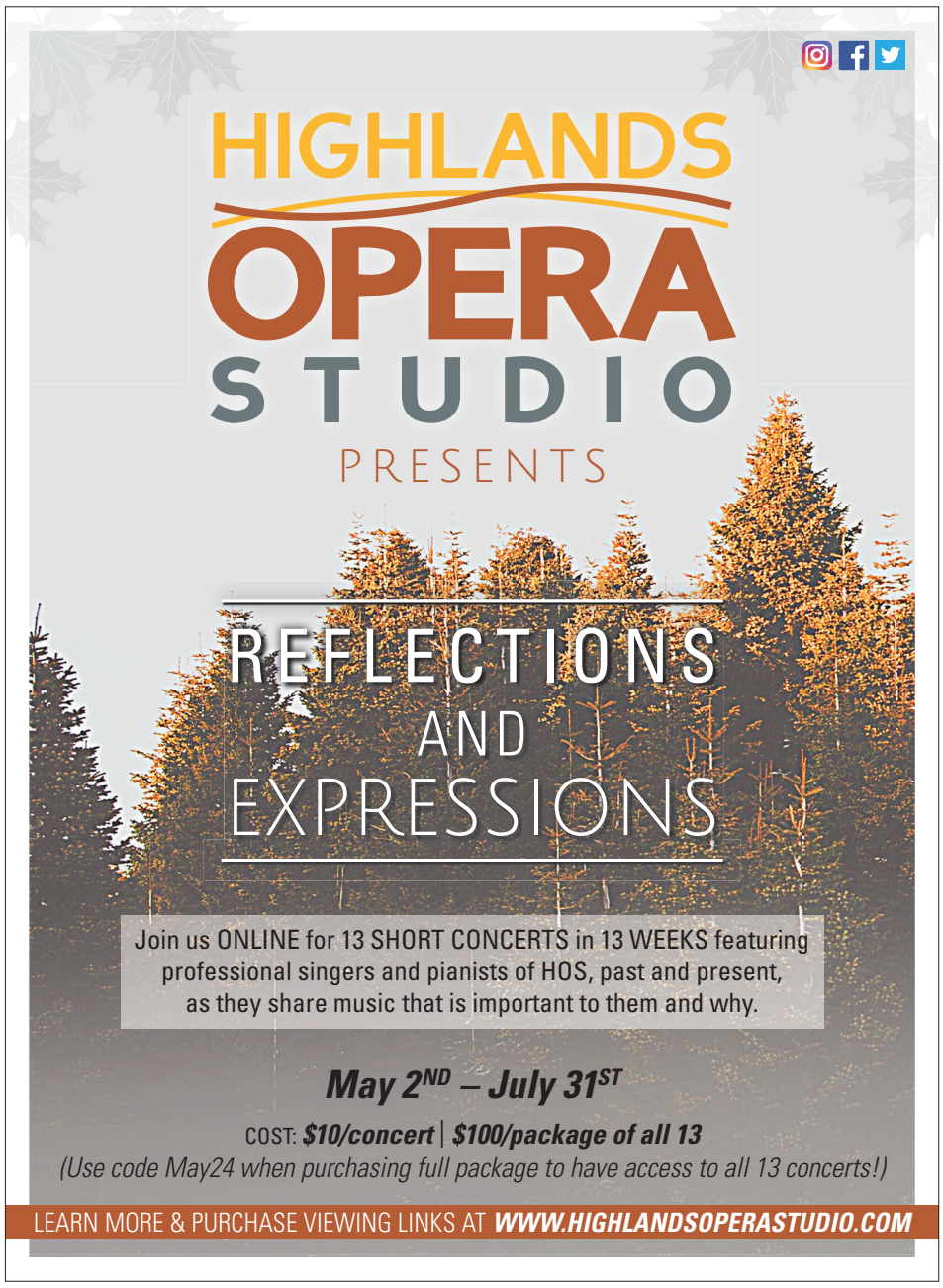
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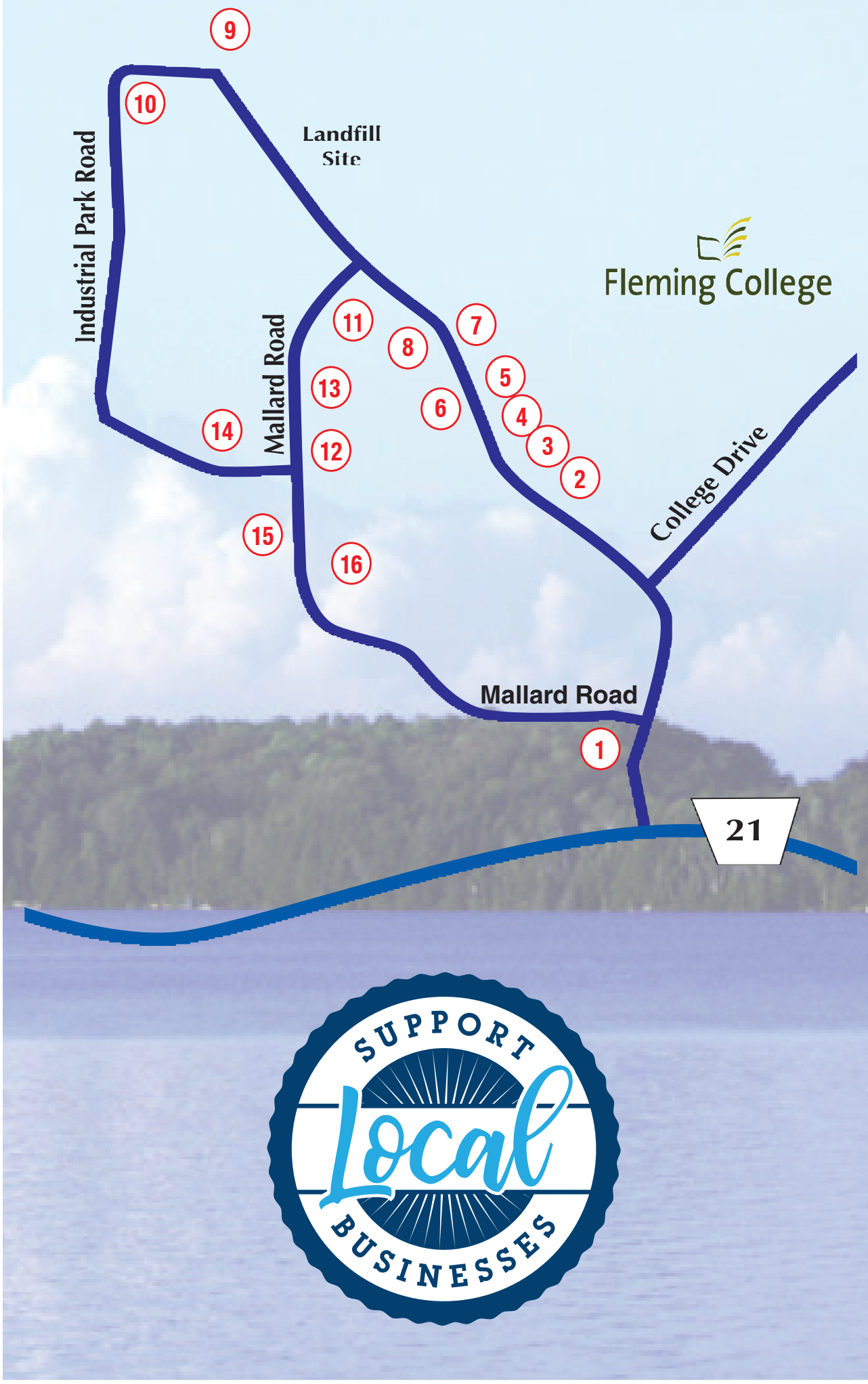

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Local Rotary Clubs take lead in organizing volunteer efforts

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the building, and people still weren't cranky when they came in," she said. "It was taking people upwards of two hours to get through the building that day, at the peak of it, because we got behind the eight ball at the beginning. And still, people were like, 'nah, I'm OK. What's two hours of my life, I'm going to get the shot. I'm doing my part, I'm going to get the shot, and that's all there is to it.'"

Since then, the clinics have run smoothly. "From the security guard working the door, to all the other volunteers working alongside us, to the nurses, I mean, the nurses just have to be exhausted," said Yallop. "They have to be absolutely spent. And they are still going and walking those concrete floors for eight hours a day, and to me, what I've seen, not flinching. I haven't seen anything negative in the whole time. People are happy."

Yallop said as a team leader asking people if they want a break or need anything, she said most people just continue working on, finding their rhythm, doing what they have to do, and making the clinic run like clockwork.

"I signed up for two shifts and I can't wait to get back down there and get in my 10,000 steps and just have a good time, truly," she said. "Making people feel good about something they might be a bit anxious of, being a part of it, especially in this community – it's amazing."

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Klara Oyler has volunteered for five shifts at the Haliburton clinic so far.

"It's been a blast, I've enjoyed every minute of it," she said.

Oyler has been a longtime volunteer locally, noting she had "an absolute whale of a time," volunteering with the hospital foundation for 20 years, and working on committees and for events in Minden.

"When I was busy working, you know you don't really have a lot of time when you're young and working and teaching, you don't have a lot of energy at the end of the day," she said. "When we retired up here, because we lived on a road where nobody else lived, it was either, I go out and make friends, because nobody's coming down the road to say, come out and play. Volunteering has become second nature to me now and it's become something I've really missed when we went into this lockdown."

When she saw that Haliburton Rotary needed volunteers, she quickly signed up, and said the Rotarians were "so welcoming, extremely welcoming," and that

Volunteers at Minden's mass vaccination clinic prepare for a shift at the clinic, which first opened April 7 at the S.G. Memorial Arena. / Submitted photo

the event was a positive one.

"You become part of something that's bigger than you, which is kind of nice," she said. "It makes you realize how important giving is. We've been raised to always do a job, and you get paid for it if you do it well. Well, when you volunteer, you get paid back so much more, because you see the smiles, you see the thank yous, you just have this wonderful feeling that you've done something that's beyond yourself. You've cared about something that's beyond yourself. And that's been really very important for me."

In one role, Oyler found that people were happy to be part of a chain of gratefulness and kindness when given the opportunity.

"I was escorting somebody – I love that, I was an escort, it took me to 70-years-old to become an escort – I was escorting somebody down from one of the chairs to the pod," she said. "Maureen had been doing the cleaning of the chairs. I said, thank you Maureen for cleaning the chair. [The person] looked at Maureen, and said, thank you Maureen. I thought, this is good, so I started saying that to everybody who was doing the cleaning jobs. I was saying, thank you so much, and the person getting the shot was saying it. I thought, isn't this an interesting thing. With a smile. So all it takes is for one person to start it, and we can all, hopefully, get positive. It was such a simple little thing, but it really made my day when I heard more and more people repeating it after me as I was thanking the volunteer. And I thought, people need to know there's a whole group of us involved in keeping them safe. We all need to be thanked – not just me because I'm the one looking at you and talking with you. And it's so easy to thank everybody."

Oyler said that as a volunteer, you don't get paid, but you get a smile, a thank you, and you "go for another 1,000 miles."

"Dealing with the people was just so much fun," she said. "Everybody was in a good mood, everybody was very excited. There were some very nervous people and it was nice to be able to say, 'I'm terrified of needles, too but you don't feel anything with this one'. It was just that one-on-one that was so nice. And then to see the big smile at the end - 'I've done it, I've done it'. And being able to say, 'thank you for being vaccinated'. People would look at me and say, 'why are you thanking me?' Well, because we're all helping each other."

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Sally Moore has led the effort of the Minden volunteer team after a year that, while tough for everyone, has brought an additional challenge for her as she faced the second breast cancer diagnosis in her life.

Now, the Rotarian is using her background organizing thousands of people and hundreds of staff as a camp director to ensure the Minden clinic runs smoothly – "we've been humming," she said.

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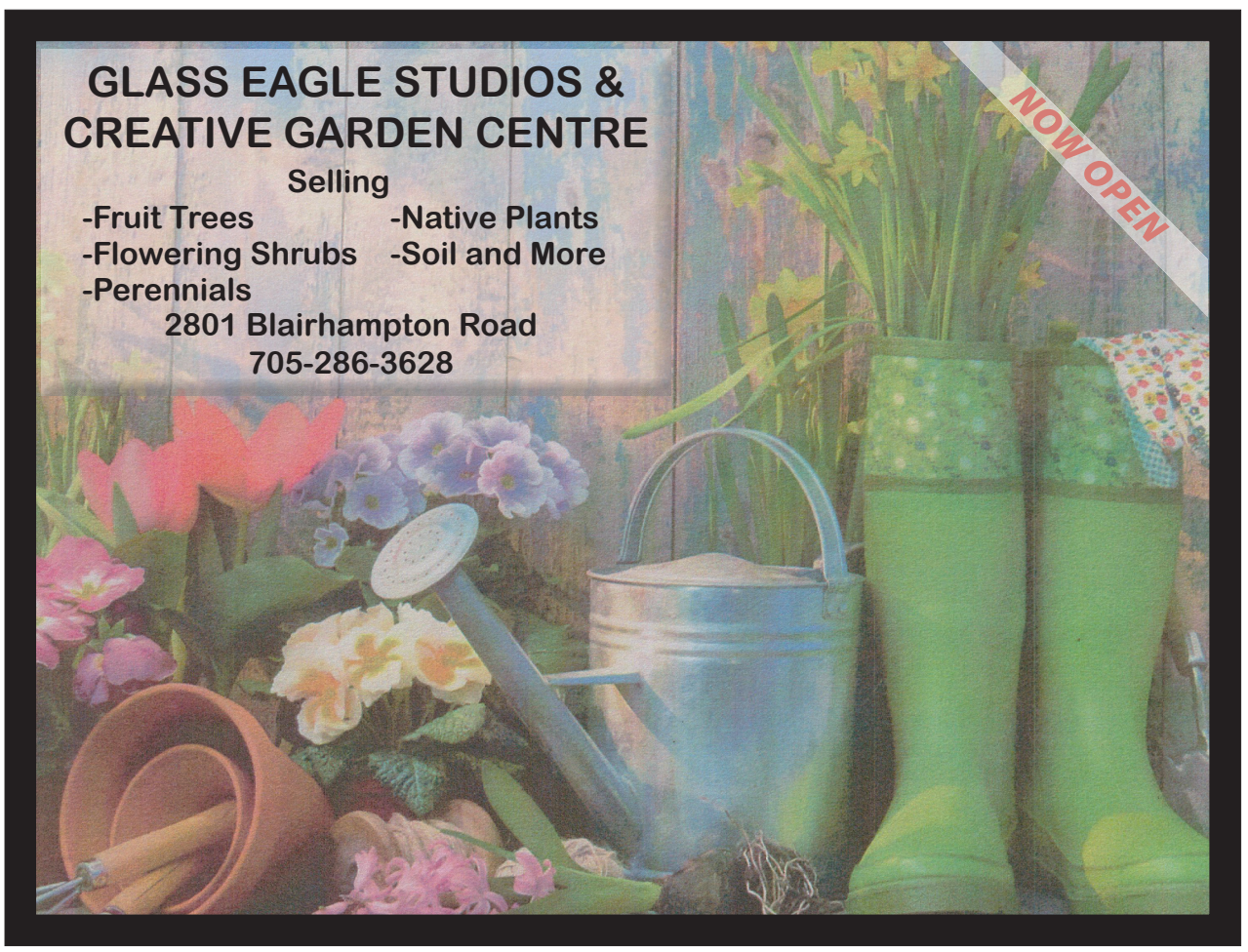

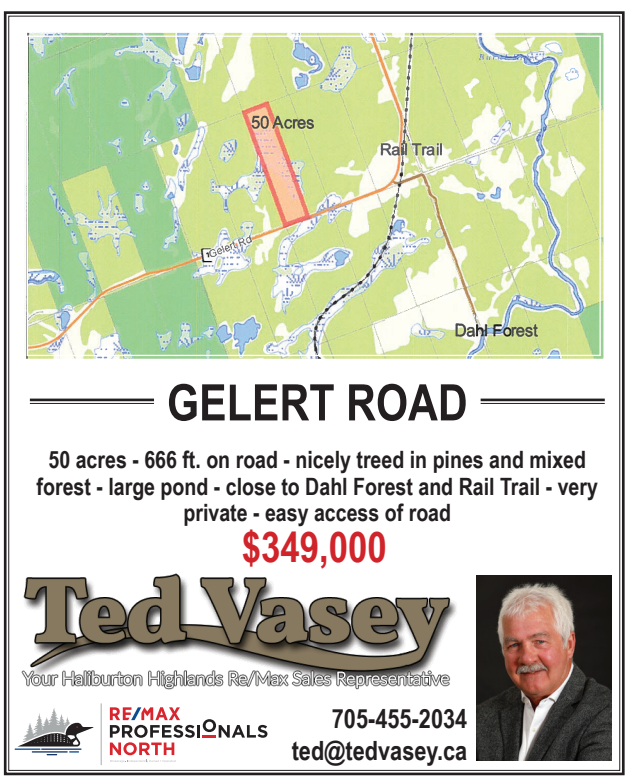
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Grayson Thomas took his time adding some colour to the Mother's Day page included in the May 6 edition of County Life, before giving it to his mom, Rachel.

Seven-year-old Alana Smith completed the Mother's Day colouring page for her mom, Jenny.

Emelia Kyte had a ball completing the Mother's Day page earlier this month.

Emelia Kyte is the winner of County Life's 2021 Mother's Day contest, with her carefully crafted felt tip pen creation. Emelia wins a $50 gift card to any Haliburton County restaurant to treat her mother, Sheree, to a special Mother's Day dinner once COVID-19 lockdown restrictions have been lifted. Congratulations Emelia and Sheree!

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'Part of the largest single effort in the history of humankind'

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And the best part of it all is that while she is alive to see the monumental effort of the community working together in such a positive way after a time that has been so hard for so many, she is also celebrating that she is well.

"I've been through the eight months of treatment and I'm on the better side of it in that I'm now cancer free," she said.

Moore said the in-house protocols are so good at the clinic, that she is not fearful in the least about being around other people after a time of isolation, with the team working in such a way that visitors to the arena typically don't even have to touch a door.

"We as volunteer models can show how you can stand a couple of metres away from each other, and still communicate, still work together, and be able to lead the client through the process comfortably," she said. "We're cleaning our hands constantly, taking care of the surfaces, the high-touch surfaces that might be touched by somebody. It's really quite remarkable."

One of the most unique challenges, for Moore, is leading a team of people without ever having seen their full face.

"What is troubling for me is that I'm hoping I can recognize some of these people when all of these masks and shields come off, because that's how I'm meeting them for the first time," she laughed.

It's been a pleasant experience not just for the volunteers, but for those coming for their vaccination – many who can be seen looking around at the new arena as they wait in line.

"What's really fun is that they're seeing other people they haven't maybe seen since the start of the pandemic," said Moore. "So that, for me, the same thing is true – I've been isolating myself right from the start, so to be out and about and people seeing me for the first time, and with hair now is a bit of a treat."

Moore said it has been humbling to be answering the phone and e-mails from the people in the community who want to be a part of the team.

"I've been enjoying it actually, it's been a good way to take my mind off my own [challenges]," said Moore. "And interestingly enough, on my own journey of trying to get back to walking, my own road is hilly up and down and I find that challenging, but in the arena – although it's cement – it is flat and there's a lot of walking through the course of a day. So if anybody's looking for a moving challenge, this is one that's good."

Besides the energy volunteers are bringing to the clinics, the sheer number of people willing to help has been outstanding, but Moore notes that while so many people have been supportive, she hopes more people will offer to lend a hand, as the Minden clinic – the sole mass vaccination clinic in the county beginning in June - will run for several months more still, including through the busy summer months when some people might be pulled in different directions.

"In the events that we've run in this community before, to have 15 or 20 people as your volunteer core is quite remarkable," said Moore. "We're not talking 15 or 20. We're talking, ultimately by the time this project is done, we will have a core of probably close to 500 volunteers. I'm guessing. Right now we're at 150. We're continually needing to build that list so we have better than adequate coverage for the summer with trained volunteers, that we need to constantly be asking people to put it in the back of their head, maybe I should go up and do this."

On April 24, after completing his eighth day of volunteering, Minden Hills Councillor Bob Carter thanked HKPRD health unit staff, Minden Rotary, and volunteers.

"The clinic could not run without volunteers," he said. "Every one of you that I have met has been kind, cheerful and generous, freely offering your time and passion to the community. Your devotion, organizational talents, and good natures have ensured a positive experience for us all." To date, 3,800 volunteer hours have helped the Minden clinic run.

He also thanked township staff for preparing the arena for clinics, noting, "It is historic that before its opening ceremony the arena became part of the largest single effort in the history of humankind."

"In 20 years when there's [an anniversary] celebration of that new arena, of that new building - and I'm planning on being around for it by the way - we're all going to have a recall of being the first group to use the arena," said Moore. "We're all going to be remembering that we were the ones who opened that arena for a purpose. For that little piece of what we're doing here we can be very proud."

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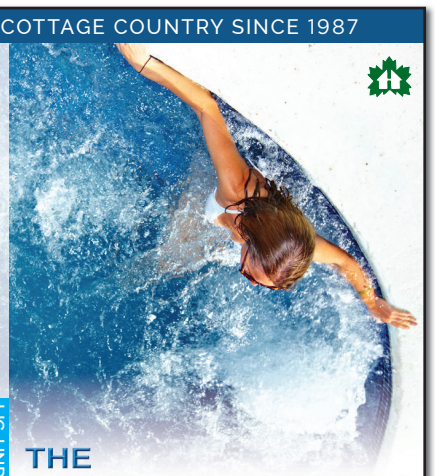

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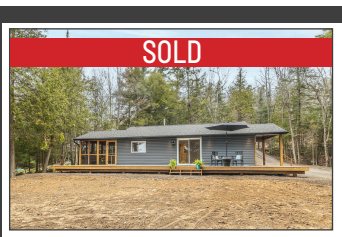

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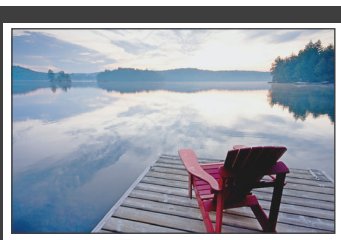

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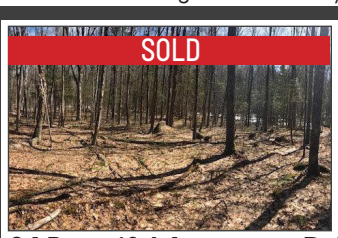

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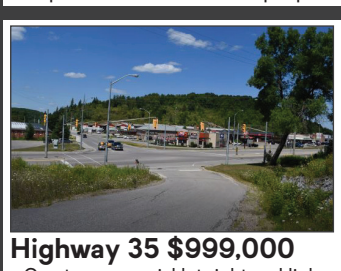

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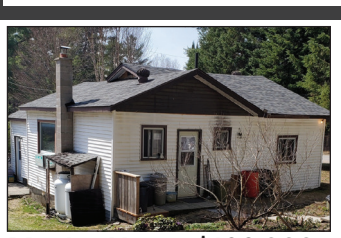

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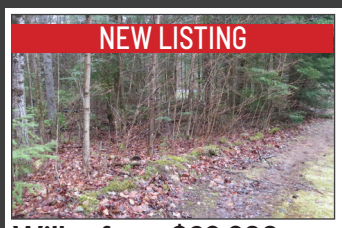

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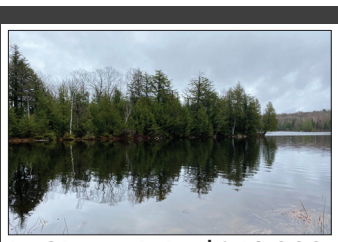

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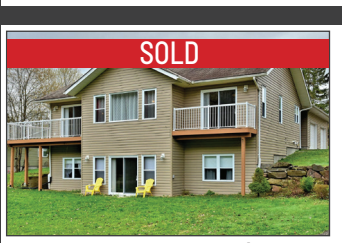

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Thank you Haliburton County Council!

For moving forward and hiring Hutchison Environmental Sciences Ltd. This firm was chosen earlier this month after the County Council requested a Request for Proposal (RFP) be sent out to find an unbiased company that could assist with the development of the Shoreline Preservation Bylaw.

The scope of their work is three part including, firstly, review & summarize the current science related to water quality with a direct correlation to shoreline preservation of natural vegetation. Secondly, to provide a listing of other Municipalities in the Province which have Shoreline Bylaws and thirdly, create a plan to consult with the stakeholders and report those findings to the County Council. Finally, they have been requested to develop a Shoreline Preservation Bylawfor review and implementation by the County of Haliburton.

Are you a Lakefront Property Owner? If so, this is your chance to step up and attend the public consultations so your voice can be heard.

The Haliburton County Home Builders Association has spent the last year bringing forward a few facts regarding the proposed Shoreline By-law that the County of Haliburton is attempting to implement. Now is your turn to step up and attend the public consultations!

We at HCHBA, are in favour of a Shoreline Preservation Bylaw, the request to have it reasonable for property owners and sustain water quality is a delicate balance. Our children and grandchildren depend on the solutions we come up with.

If you have any questions, we at the HCHBA recommend that you write, email, or call your municipal elected officials with your comments or concerns. Plan to attend the public meetings!

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Familiarity with CityView or similar permit software program, Portal system and Electronic Inspections would be an asset. Preference will be given to candidates with minimum Provincial Qualifications in House, Plumbing, On-Site Sewage Systems and HVAC. Two years of experience in a related field, proven customer service ability are required. You also must enjoy driving around our scenic cottage country.

The detailed job description for this position can be found on our website at https://dysartetal.ca on the Careers page. The 2021 annual salary range for this position is $61,582 to $72,042 and includes a comprehensive pension and benefits package.

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Up to 48 hour work week Summer (6 days).
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Responsibilities

- Pick up prescriptions/supplies as needed for the Health Centre.
- Do a daily 'town run' to pick up supplies that are needed for camp programs or office.
- Pick up supplies in Toronto (or outside of Minden/Haliburton) as needed.
- Handling of incoming and outgoing mail.
- Ensure that vehicles are scheduled and taken for oil changes as needed.
- Ensure the vehicles have adequate gas and fill as necessary.
- Keep vehicles clean and free of garbage.
- Keep the exterior of the vehicles clean; have them washed as needed

Necessary Qualifications/Competencies

- Full G License & minimum age of 21 years old
- Ability to have a flexible schedule and work independently
- Attention to detail
- Ability to work and communicate with a wide variety of people

30 – 40 Hour work week
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To protect the health and safety of our clients and employees, we have modified our normal operating policies in response to COVID-19.

If you wish to apply, please send a resume to Matt Brown/Site Manager at matt@onondagacamp.com. Please feel free to contact at (705-286-5025)

A truly Canadian summer tradition, Onondaga Camp offers an extraordinary environment for kids to play, explore, achieve and grow. Situated on the shores of Middle Bob Lake near Minden, Ontario, Onondaga inspires the best in outdoor fun, learning and adventure for girls and boys from six to 16 years old. Onondaga Camp values the diversity of people. We welcome and encourage applications from people with disabilities. Arrangements will be provided, on request, to support candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process. All responses will be handled with strict confidence.

Renewable Energy Specialist - Employment Opportunity

BIOTHERMIC WOOD ENERGY SYSTEMS

Biothermic operates in all Canadian provinces and territories; providing world class wood energy systems. We merge industry leading Austrian technology from Fröling and Polytechnik with North American heating/energy systems to provide turn-key products for our clients. We operate out of our offices in Thunder Bay and Central Ontario (*Haliburton*). We are a quickly growing renewable energy company specializing on low carbon solutions for the Canadian market.

We are looking for a new team member with a wide range of skills and experience that wants to grown with us. If you see the potential for modern wood energy systems in Canada, have a deep connection to forests and are looking for an evolving and challenging career, then we want to hear from you.

Job Description:

Working directly with Biothermic's principals, the successful candidate will be involved in all aspects of energy projects, with a focus on;

- Mechanical and hydronic design of residential and commercial wood boiler systems (*AutoCAD, LoopCAD, PowerCADD, RETScreen*)
- Client facing project development and management
- Commissioning and servicing of boiler systems in various Canadian locations
- Troubleshooting technical problems with clients
- Involvement in the development of new biomass projects in various Canadian locations
- Hands on construction and fabrication of modern wood energy systems

Modern wood heating is relatively new to Canada and we are not expecting candidates to have years of direct experience. There will be a steep learning curve for the successful candidate and their ability/passion to learn and grow quickly is critical. We encourage the application of candidates from a wide range of backgrounds. We are looking for the following traits in a new team member:

- Passion for learning new skills and increasing knowledge
- Entrepreneurial spirit and a demonstrated record of innovation and self motivation
- Knowledge of, or interest in, mechanical systems; particularly hydronic heating systems
- A degree or diploma in a STEM field or an applicable trade
- A strong connection to Canadian forests
- A positive attitude and and engaging team member
- Fluency in French an asset
- Experience with mechanical and electrical systems
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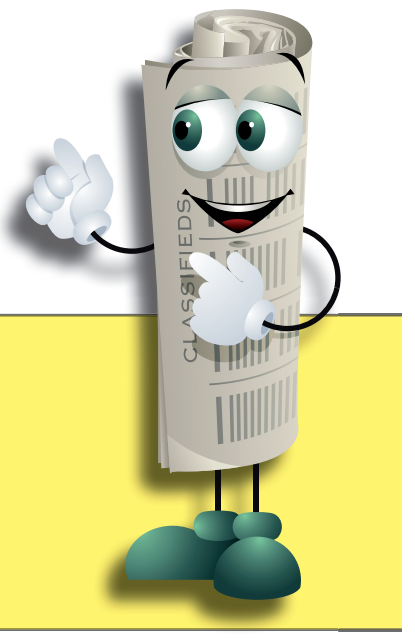

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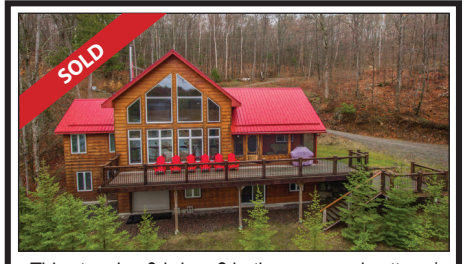
The Haliburton Real Estate Team

BEECH RIVER $1,145,000

Move in ready, work from home, peaceful waterfront property. Located at the widest point of Beech River, with calm water and beautiful west exposure. Cozy up to the stone wood burning fireplace, a stunning focal point of the great room. Enjoy the large, spacious kitchen with granite topped 10' island, 2 ovens, and 2 sinks, fit for filming all of your foodie creations! Large entrance. Patio doors off the great room access a wonderful patio with stone landscaping and view of the river and tall pines. Great swimming spot in the middle of the river, or float on your tube down. Beautiful in all seasons. Energy efficient home and detached shop/garage. There is a large loft above the double garage/workshop. Start your new beginnings now!

LONG LAKE $895,000



This stunning 3-bdrm, 2 bath year-round cottage/ home checks off all boxes. This property consists of two waterfront lots providing a total of 120 ft of frontage on beautiful Long Lake. This bright open concept living space features pine cathedral ceilings, slate, and maple flooring. Beautiful stone wood burning fireplace. Spacious main floor master with walk-in closet. Unfinished lower level. Built-in lower garage. This move in ready cottage truly is a complete package.

HALIBURTON LAKE $685,000

This fully furnished 3-bedrm, 2 bath cottage is located on popular Haliburton Lake and is move in ready! Open concept kitchen and dining area. Ample storage space in kitchen, finished with wood cabinetry, stainless steel appliances and large island. Spacious living room with vaulted wood ceilings and unique stone surrounded woodstove. Loft is finished and is a great place for the young ones to escape to. Sand, rock shoreline with private docking system and sitting deck at water's edge.

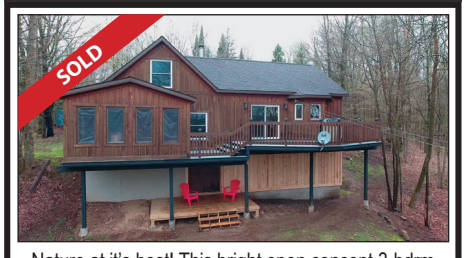
KENNISIS LAKE $680,000

This 3-bdrm, 1 bath seasonal cottage is move in ready. Spacious kitchen with open concept to the dining area. Livingroom features beautiful pine ceiling and beams and ample natural lighting. Large boathouse / garage is great for storage. Enjoy the big lake views at the waters edge on your spacious sitting deck. Don't miss this great opportunity to get on Kennisis Lake.

DRAG LAKE $599,000

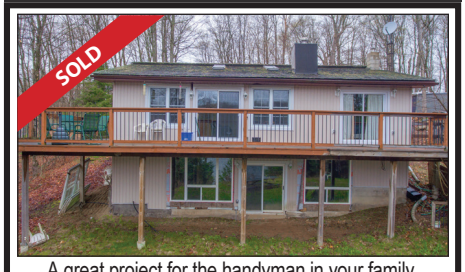
Searching for a year-round cottage? This 3-bdrm, 1 bath back-split cottage is perfect. With 100 ft of frontage and stunning views this traditional cottage checks off all the boxes. Open concept kitchen, dining and living area feature vaulted pine ceilings. The lake front deck is a great space for BBQing and entertaining family and friends. Recent upgrades include renovated bathroom and fully winterizing the cottage. Private docking system and clean, calm waters make for summer enjoyment and is great for children.

CONTAU LAKE $549,000



Nature at it's best! This bright open concept 3-bdrm home features 223 ft of frontage on Contau Lake in a quiet bay. Southern exposure and pretty lake view. Main floor features one bedroom, large kitchen finished with pine cabinetry, island, and ample storage space. Bright dining area with pine flooring, ceilings, and walkout to lake front deck. Sunken living room with cozy woodstove. Master bedroom is located on the second level with jet tub. Many recent improvements. 4.17-acre lot provides good privacy. Escape the busy city life and enjoy serene cottage country living.

NEGAUNEE LAKE $399,000



A great project for the handyman in your family. 3-bdrm, 1 bath cottage with an open concept main floor. Walk-out to a large wrap around deck. 102 feet of frontage, private docking, and clean shoreline for excellent swimming. Unfinished walk-out basement. Drilled well and septic. Negaunee is a tranquil non-motorized lake. This is an estate sale being sold "as is where is" without representations or warranties from the seller.

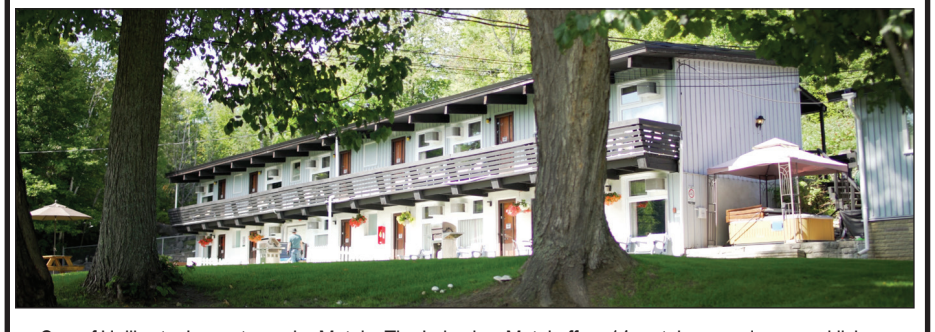
BOBCAYGEON ROAD $399,000

It's the perfect 4-bdrm, 2 bath year-round home conveniently located within walking distance to the town of Minden. This open concept home has many recent updates. Attached garage heated with propane heater and enclosed breezeway. Fully finished lower level. Beautiful, easily maintained gardens. Bright and sunny level fenced in yard backs. This stunning home is a pleasure to show and a must to see.

VICTORIA STREET $309,000

Have you been searching for an in-town home? We have found you the perfect 3-bdrm home. Conveniently located to all amenities in Haliburton Village. Main floor features a spacious eat-in kitchen, living room with large window, master bedroom and a 4pc bath. Second level provides two spacious bedrooms with closets. Unfinished lower level. The large, covered deck and level yard are excellent for children of all ages. Workshop/ storage shed has ample space for the handyman in the family. Well and town sewers.

COMMERCIAL THE LAKE VIEW MOTEL $1,950,000



One of Haliburton's most popular Motels. The Lakeview Motel offers 14 motel rms and personal living quarters. Immaculate grounds and very well maintained buildings. Turnkey operation. Lovely inground pool, 4 hot tubs, horseshoe pit, dining room, BBQ's and much more offered to guests. Personal living quarters with 3 bdrms, 2 baths, 2 living rms and kitchen/dining area. Huge potential to expand on this 3.78-acre parcel.

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BEVERLEY BOYKO of Haliburton, this year's Minden Winter Carnival Beauty Queen toured Queen's Park during her visit to Toronto with Glen Hodgson, MPP as her guide. Also shown in the picture above is Mr. Hodgson's son and at the back Mrs. Boyko and Mrs. Hodgson. —Dept. of Travel and Publicity Photo

MINDEN TO BORRW $75,000 FOR BUILDING

At a council meeting on Wednesday, April 22 in the Registry Building, Anson, Hindon and Minden council passed a bylaw to borrow up to $75,000 from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce at the interest rate of 5¾% for the purpose of temporary financing on the new municipal building. The controversial building is well under construction and is expected to be completed before the summer season. Another bylaw was passed at the meeting, this one concerning septic tanks. It was agreed that all septic tanks must have a minimum capacity of 200 gallons and a minimum of 100 feet disposal tile. When a Flush-O-Matic type toilet is used, a tank of 100 gallon capacity is allowed with a minimum of 40 feet disposal tile. All these minimums are based on suitable soil conditions. This was an amendment to Bylaw 5-62.

It was also decided that light installation should be put into effect from Jim Graham's home to the Minden Red Cross Hospital and Catholic Church as well as spot light installation over the Minden Village sign at the by-pass.

WATER PROBLEM AT HDHS

The chlorination system in the new wing of the Haliburton high school has been out of use for three weeks but should be working again by Monday.

The school cafeteria has been closed because of the fear of infection, as water is taken from Head Lake.

Signs have been posted in the hals of the school warning students not to drink the water. Adequate water for washing and sanitary purposes is available however.

PARK IN LUTTERWORTH LIKELY

A park for the township of Lutterworth will probably become a reality in the near future after a special meeting between the Lutterworth council and the owner of a proposed subdivision. Mr. Hockley, owner of the subdivision agreed to give the township a change of right of way in a spot requested by the council. The original right of way ran through a portion of a lodge recently purchased by Mr. Hockley and he wanted it changed to another portion of his property. The council refused to accept the land that Mr. Hockley wanted to give but at the special meeting held on April 27 the council and Mr. Hockley agreed on another piece of land. Along with the right of way council will receive five per cent of the roerty in the subdivision and will include it all in a park. The park will be situated south of Moore's Falls on Hwy. 35 just north of the Haliburton - Victoria boundary. The agreement is subject to approval by the planning board.

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